

COOL AS AN ICICLE

Sweeney Took His Medicine Like a Veteran.

HE NEVER MOVED A MUSCLE

When Judge Burlingame Sentenced Him to Ten Years in Jackson for Assaulting a Little Girl—Court News.

September 26 an unknown man entered Zwanitz's Deeds, 10 years old, from the corner of Centennial and Buckeye streets, where she was visiting children in the Decker family, to a secluded spot in the neighboring woods, where he committed a criminal assault. The following Sunday a reporter for the Herald heard of the case, immediately began an investigation, and Sunday morning published a full account of the disgraceful crime. The police took the matter in hand and after a continued search arrested Joseph Sweeney, a man 30 years old, having a wife and child. He was examined in police court and held for trial, but because of errors in the minutes he was discharged.

Before he had a chance to escape he was re-arrested and another examination of the case was held in police court. Witnesses were subpoenaed and tampered with. An attempt was made to prove an alibi by false swearing, but through it all the penetrating eye of the law discerned the villain's guilt, an impartial jury returning a verdict to that effect January 8. His attorneys asked for a stay of sentence, saying that they intended to prepare their bill of exceptions and ask for a new trial. They did not do so, and becoming tired of waiting, Judge Burlingame summoned Sweeney before him yesterday. Cool as an icicle, the convicted man stood before the bar of the court. No member of his family was present. Then the silence was broken by Judge Burlingame.

"Have you anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon you?" In a voice unmoved by emotion the prisoner spoke the single word, "no." The court continued: "In accordance with my opinion an impartial jury composed of twelve of your countrymen have found you guilty. How old are you?"

"Thirty years old."

"The sentence of this court is that you be confined in the Michigan state prison at Jackson for a period of ten years, from and including this day."

Not a muscle of Sweeney's face moved, his cheeks did not blanch, and when he was led away by Deputy Sheriff Stuart his step was firm and steady.

Notes From the Courts.

Harry Ludington pleaded guilty in Justice Brown's court yesterday to having committed an assault upon Charles Boyer at Mill Creek. Ludington was assessed \$5 fine and costs, which he paid.

Charles Posthumus of Paris township swore out a warrant from Justice Brown's court yesterday, for the arrest of William Hudson, charging him with committing an assault on his wife. It is claimed that Hudson struck Posthumus' wife when she stepped in between her husband and himself to prevent a fight while they were quarreling over a horse deal.

Fred Newberg, Jim and Tom Goodwin sat in the prisoner's box in police court yesterday awaiting their examination for robbery, but in consequence of the Burroughs case occupying the entire day, an adjournment was taken until January 21.

John Ottum, the Grandville avenue saloonist, was arraigned in police court yesterday for selling liquor to minors. He will have a hearing January 21.

The following dissatisfied couples went to the circuit court to dissolve the knot that binds: Anna M. McCallum, vs. Archie McCallum, Isaac Turner vs. Jesse Turner and Julia Beneway vs. Jacob Beneway.

The Michigan Trust company began suit in the circuit court yesterday to foreclose a mortgage on property located in Cumings & Perry's addition, to secure a promissory note given by C. Michael Owczarzak for \$1,000.

BURROUGHS WINS HIS CASE.

A Police Court Jury Acquiesced in the Sunday Night Opera Charge.

C. Sumner Burroughs scored his first genuine victory yesterday. He was on trial in police court for being present at Redmond's opera house Sunday, January 3, the first presentation of the "Yendetta." Court Officer J. B. Johnson and Officer Jackway witnessed the play and on the stand gave a description of the plot. These were the people's only witnesses and their testimony was to the effect that the play and music of the orchestra was other than for the purpose of moral instruction and religious worship. For the defense, Burroughs, Dr. Montgomery, John Finn, T. M. Carpenter, dramatic critic for the Eagle, and Wilbur Force, leader of the orchestra at Redmonds, testified. Carpenter's version of the play was that it contained moral instruction. Force said that part of the music rendered was of a religious nature. Burroughs admitted that he was present, but protested that he ran the place for gain, moral instruction religious worship and charity. The testimony of the other witnesses was the same. Judge Haggerty practically charged the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty. After being out twenty minutes the six men, good and true, returned and pronounced Mr. Burroughs "not guilty," to the evident surprise of the judge and part of the audience, and the unbounded elation of the defendant and his friends.

Alleged Gambler Discharged.

James C. Train, of Lowell, was arrested some time ago for gambling and committed to jail to await trial by a justice of the peace, before whom he had no examination. He was released on a writ of habeas corpus, the final hearing on which was listened to by Judge Adair in the circuit court. Train was discharged and the case dismissed.

Over the Road for Cruelty.

Veronica Chapman, who hired a delivery rig from Tom Kelly one week ago, and left the animal tied to a tree in front of the Baptist church exposed to the cold, was arraigned in police court yesterday for cruelty to animals. She was convicted and sentenced to the county jail for thirty days.

Mrs. Huff Gets the Child.

In the order to show cause why the defendant in the divorce case of Alice Huff vs. Elmer Huff, should not have the custody of Hazel, the 3-year-old

daughter, Judge Adair in the circuit court yesterday, decided to allow the mother to retain possession.

LAW AND LAWYERS.

Circuit Court—Part I.

JUDGE GROVE.

Lorenzo D. Blackman vs. Frank Heath; trespass; verdict, no cause for action.

William A. Swartz et al. vs. William T. Lamoreaux et al; proceedings stayed twenty days.

Henry B. Huston vs. Edward H. Burd; assault; on trial.

Circuit Court—Part II.

JUDGE ADIR.

Frank Bonfoey vs. James Bayne and Willie Cass; chancery; order dismissing cause with costs to defendants.

Anna Bonfoey vs. James Bayne; chancery; order dismissing cause without costs.

Alice Huff vs. Elmer Huff; order to show cause; complainant given custody of child.

THE MAN WHO DROPPED.

It Looked Halcyon at First, but He

Wilted.

He was about to make his way around to the side gate of a house on Mountain street when a woman opened the front door and called:

"This way, please, come right in the front door."

He came back, looked at her and cautiously began ascending the steps as he said:

"Madam, it is through no fault of mine that I have been brought to this."

"Oh, certainly not—walk right in!" she interrupted, "you wish to see the lady of the house?"

"Yes'm."

"Well, I am the person. Hang your hat on the hall tree, please."

"Madam," he said, as he hung his old cap on a peg, "I was going to call at the back door to see if you"—

"Isaac. Walk into the parlor and sit down a moment. You are in search of work—wood to saw, coal to bring in, etc?"

"Yes'm."

"Poor man! How hard it must be to go about looking for work! You haven't eaten anything today?"

"No'm, I got up at daylight this morning and began."

"I see. Sit over there by the window where you can look at the family album while I get you a dinner. How do you like your chicken—stewed or fried?"

"Fried," stammered the astonished tramp.

"Certainly; won't take me over half an hour. Do you like your mince pie hot or cold, and do you prefer strong coffee?"

He sat rubbing one old shoe over the other, too astonished to reply, and she continued:

"I am so glad you happened to call here. If you don't object to dark clothes I can fit you out with a suit almost new. Can you eat bread with your dinner or shall I make you some hot biscuit?"

His feet were now too paralyzed to rub and he sat with his mouth open.

"How dreadful you must feel—wife and children dead—no home—in poor health and out of steady employment! While you are eating I'll telephone my husband to get you a place in the bank. You want something that's easy and pays well, of course? I'm sorry I'm out of current jelly, but perhaps strawberry jam would do you?"

"I—I—be began."

"I understand. It's not your fault that you are in this position—of course not. It's liable to happen to any one. Poor man! How the care lines have appeared on your brow, and how thin and starved you look! Perhaps you will amuse yourself with the piano while I prepare dinner?"

He got up, skulked out into the hall sideways, as if afraid of being hit, reached for his cap and backed out doors.

"Why, what's the matter?" asked the woman as he backed down the steps.

"Nuthin' much," he muttered.

"But there must be! Have I in any manner wounded your sensitive feelings? Have I carelessly uttered words which brought up bitter recollections and caused you sorrow?"

"Noap," he replied, as he backed out of the gate.

"But what is it?" she persisted.

"It's just this," he said, as he felt himself safe on the outside: "you was gettin' ready to let about three men and half a dozen bull dogs loose on me to play circus, but I dropped to your game and balked the performance. You are fly, old gal, but I'm flyer. Goodbye!"—Detroit Free Press.

Marvels of a New Motor.

A very remarkable and entirely new method of operating an electric motor has been invented by H. Ward Leonard. By Mr. Leonard's arrangement the speed of the motor, as well as the torque, can be varied independently, and the number of watts required by the motor varied directly with the work done under all conditions. This system is not only new in principle in mechanics, for up to the present time there never has been any motor system which would enable one to attain any speed desired and hold that speed constantly when the load varied from zero to its maximum.

The control of the motor is effected by an electric device, which consumes only a quarter ampere. The speed is increased or decreased at will, and the direction of rotation can be instantly changed. The application of this principle is almost universal, the most important being: to hoists, railways, elevators, pumps, fans, in fact all classes of work in which it is desired to vary the speed and vary the pull or torque. It will be possible to start a railway train exerting the full pull and yet with a consumption of power which will be extremely small, as the starting speed will be extremely low. The speed will be gradually accelerated in a perfectly smooth manner, the power required gradually increasing as the speed is increased.

A not less remarkable application of this principle will be made to elevators. By the application of the new motor the motion of the elevator will be controlled perfectly from the elevator car in the most

simple manner, and the elevator can be operated with perfect smoothness at any speed in either direction. It will also be possible to control the motion of the elevator from any floor, so that in a private residence it will be entirely unnecessary to have any attendant.

In case of the total stoppage of the electrical supply, the car would immediately be locked automatically, and would remain in that position until the operator wished to move up or down, either of which would be under his perfect control. In the matter of electric lighting this system will be especially valuable, and will enable many sources of power hitherto regarded as unavailable to be utilized.—New York Telegram.

The Burglar Alarm.

Customer—Is this the latest style of burglar alarm?

Clerk—Yes, sir.

"What is the principle of it?"

"It rings a bell when the burglar raises the window, and by means of an indicator tells in what part of the house an entrance is being attempted."

"And am I supposed to get out of bed and grapple hand to hand in the darkness with the burglar or burglar?"

"Yes, unless you can get your wife to do it instead."

"Humph, I guess we'll make the old style burglar alarm, the dog, last a little longer."—Yankee Blade.

Proved That He Is a Genius.

He seemed to be proud of himself as he strolled down the street, and when a friend asked him the reason for his elation he said:

"I've got proof at last."

"Proof of what?" asked his friend.

"Proof that I'm a genius. I always thought I was, but never was able to demonstrate it before."

The friend was inclined to be sarcastic, but the young man persisted in his assertions.

"I tell you that's right," he said. "Did you see that last poem of mine? It's the third I've had accepted by different magazines."

"Oh, well, that's no proof of genius. Lots of people."

"Not by itself, of course," interrupted the young man, "but it's a point, it's a point, although it doesn't convince me any more than it has you. But you know how careless I have always been."

"Yes."

"Throw things down anywhere."

"Yes."

"Scatter my clothes all over the room."

"Yes, but you don't think that?"

"Not in itself, no; but it's a point. My wife picks them up, you know."

"She does?"

"Oh, yes. She used to grumble about it, but now she just says it's one of my eccentricities."

"She—she picks up your clothes without any side remarks?"

"Yes, and she never disturbs my desk. That's why I say—"

"You're right. You have the proof. You're a genius."

"Thanks," he said gratefully.

"In the line of handling your wife, anyway," added the friend.—Chicago Tribune.

The Difference.

Gaswell—Who was the lawyer who defended you in your recent case?

Dukane—It wasn't a lawyer.

"No?"

"No; it was a counselor at law."

"What's the difference?"

"Well, he charged me \$500 for his services. A lawyer would have asked about \$60. You can figure up the difference yourself."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Handy Tool.

Mrs. Blinks—Where in the world is Mr. Blinks' revolver? I forgot to take it down under his pillow this morning.

New Girl (a recent arrival)—What's it like, mum?

"It's about so long with a crook at one end, and it's bright like silver."

"I don't know, mum, unless it's that thing little Tommy is hammering tails wid."—Good News.

North Thinking Of.

Customer—Isn't that a pretty good price for a porous plaster?

Druggist—Yes, but just think how long it will last.—New York Sun.

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In Memoriam.

Eliza Daniels was born in Selkirk, Cayuga county, N. Y., in January 1864 and died in January 1892. He united with the Baptist church at the age of twenty years. He married, and came to Troy, Oakland county, Mich., when the state was almost an unbroken wilderness. He visited Grand Rapids when it was an Indian trading post. He moved to Perry, Wyoming county, N. Y. in 1842. In 1859 he moved to Wacousta, Mich., and lived there until he buried his wife in 1854. He then engaged in the grocery business in Le Roy for a few years, and came to Grand Rapids to reside in 1868 and has lived here ever since. In Dec. 1868 he married Miss Sarah

Harris who survives him, also two children. Mrs. Henry Brown, of N. O., and Mamie Daniels, aged twelve years. The Rev. I. Butterfield was pastor, assisted by The Rev. Van Kirk, when he united with the Baptist church here in Grand Rapids, and performed his marriage ceremony, and conducted his funeral services. Singing conducted by Mrs. Merrill.

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